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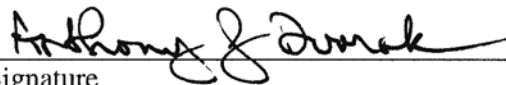
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The Council on Environmental Quality's regulations (40 CFR 1506.5(c)), which have been adopted by DOE (10 CFR Part 1021), require contractors who will prepare an EIS to execute a disclosure specifying that they have no financial or other interest in the outcome of the project. The term "financial interest or other interest in the outcome of the project" for the purposes of this disclosure is defined in the March 23, 1981, "Forty Most Asked Questions Concerning CEQ's National Environmental Policy Act Regulations," 46 *Federal Register* 18026–18028 at Questions 17a and 17b. Financial or other interest in the outcome of the project includes "any financial benefit such as promise of future construction or design work on the project, as well as indirect benefits the consultant is aware of (e.g., if the project would aid proposals sponsored by the firm's other clients)," 46 *Federal Register* 18026–18038 at 10831.

In accordance with these regulations, Argonne National Laboratory hereby certifies that it has no financial or other interest in the outcome of the project.

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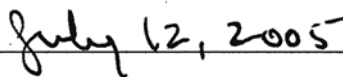
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